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WEATHER BULLETIN.
 WASHINGTON, June 21.—For lower Michigan—Increasing cloudiness with showers in northern and eastern portions; southerly winds; warmer in extreme southern portion.

STRENGTHS NEEDED.
 It is imperative that the republican state convention shall put in nomination for governor the very strongest man in the party. It will not do to say that a man has all the elements of strength when he has many elements of weakness. The minor decision is the fixed law of the state, and while the bill is believed to be unjust, there is no way to render it inoperative and impotent except by a clean sweep of the entire state by the republicans. To do this it requires a strong man at the head of the ticket, a man that can command votes outside the party. True, Mr. Rich is immensely popular with republicans, but there his popularity ends. He is not strong with the young republicans because he has been in office so long. Mr. Pingree is popular with all classes. His republicanism is unassailable. Therefore, he will be satisfactory to republicans. He is a friend of labor and an actual employer of it. Therefore, he will have support from the workmen. He is a veteran and a loyal comrade of all old soldiers. Therefore, he will be strong with the veterans. He can secure enough democratic votes to carry Wayne county. Therefore, he is the better man to consider at this critical time. If, however, it shall be deemed wise to nominate somebody other than Mayor Pingree, the Hon. James O'Donnell of Jackson will be a strong man, or the Rev. Washington Gardner will answer the requirements. Either of these two would make an aggressive fight. If Mr. Rich shall be nominated THE HERALD will rally to his defense against wicked democratic aspersions. His campaign will be a defensive one. THE HERALD wants to go on record as saying so now to save apologies hereafter.

BAVERS AND BARBORS.
 There will be little cause for regret if the conferees now considering the rivers and harbors appropriation bill shall refuse to concur in the senate amendments. The bill is enormously large, exceeding the one passed by the "billion-dollar" congress by nearly half and there are still other places demanding money for harbor improvements. If the bill as it now stands shall pass, President Harrison will be abundantly justified in vetoing it. While the harbors of the lakes and the north Atlantic coast have been treated with moderate fairness, it is observable that the southern harbors and streams have been almost extravagantly favored by the house. The bill carries over fifty millions in present and prospective expenditures, and the differences now existing are brought about by the senators who oppose the attempt made by the southerners to get all that can be got for their respective districts without regard for the public good. This spirit is so rampant that necessary improvements are set aside as of no importance. Official recommendations are pigeon-holed, together with the petitions of citizens, while the southern boomer insists upon recognition for his district's waterless creek or sand-bar harbor. As an extravagant measure it is without parallel in the history of the country. The "billion-dollar" bill sinks into insignificance when compared with the colossal measure now pending.

PINGREE, LABOR'S FRIEND.
 The labor vote will be an important factor in the coming gubernatorial campaign. No candidate who is hostile or even indifferent to industrial interests can ever again be elected governor of Michigan. Hazen S. Pingree, besides possessing all the other qualifications requisite in a good executive, is the true friend of the toiler, not in a demagogic sense, but in the widest and most generous acceptance of the term. Though obliged to compete with prison contract labor, Mr. Pingree has always paid the union scale of wages ever since the shoemakers and lathers of Michigan first organized in the palmy days of the Knights of Labor. Not only all the men, but all the women in the employ of the great establishment of which he is the head receive the highest rate of wages paid anywhere. By his generous treatment of his employees Mr. Pingree has endeared himself to every wage-earner in the state, and if nominated will receive a loyal support at the polls from Michigan's immense army of organized workers.

UNIVERSAL SYMPATHY.
 Ex-Secretary Blaine's family is now reduced to one son and two daughters, three children having died since the inauguration of President Harrison. When Mr. Blaine was appointed secretary of state he purchased the Seward mansion. The black looking red house was regarded with superstition and considered ill-fated. Most of the great secretary's severest afflictions and disappointments date from his residence there. He has been bereft of those nearest and dearest to him. First came Walter Blaine, his close confidant, whom he hoped would continue the name of Blaine as an important figure in politics, and who died a little over

two years ago. Then his eldest daughter, Mrs. Coppinger, died. In the death of Emma Blaine another promising flower in his illustrious family has been snatched on the very threshold of a brilliant and successful life. It is distressful that the great secretary should be thus deprived of the joy and dearest blessing, which must come to all fathers from affectionate children, at the time when he had drawn around him the veil of private life, and had entered to rest in the quiet and peace of home. The tenderest professions of sympathy can do little to assuage the grief of the bowed statesman, but that little has blotted out all thought of political difference and animosities—and a nation shares his sorrow and extends to him its sincere condolences.

There is only one man mentioned as a candidate for governor who would, if nominated, receive the almost unanimous trades union vote, and that man is Mr. Pingree. No greater tribute can be paid to any man—especially a manufacturer and large employer of labor, in these days of fierce, cruel and bitter competition, when souls, brains and muscles are too often considered commodities to be bought in the lowest market—than to say that the common people, the wealth producers, love, respect and honor him. And this can be truthfully said of Hazen S. Pingree, the journeyman shoemaker, citizen-soldier, the self-made, successful business man and philanthropist, who, though possessed of wealth and wide influence, is not too proud to swap stories with an old bench mate at noon hour.

AMOS J. CUMMINGS, the picturesque and versatile New York congressman and correspondent, is opposed to Cleveland because he is not a friend to labor. He thinks that Hill is the only friend to labor that can be nominated and thereby avert a third party candidate. If the third party were but visionary Amos might be justified in making his claim, and if Hill were not a democrat and a free trader he might be a friend to labor. The third party will nominate a candidate; so will the prohibitionists and so will the woman suffragists, no matter what the democrats may do.

There is something so provokingly grotesque about the report of a boom for Morse as a dark horse that it smacks of extemporaneous manufacture by a man that was asked to say something, and in doing so unconsciously put his foot in his mouth. Why pass the eminent men of national renown, men like Gorman, Russell, Boies, Palmer, Chief Justice Fuller and others by to inflate the cranium of a politician on the supreme bench of Michigan?

FRIDAY evening the representative vocal organization of Detroit will visit this city to give a concert under the auspices of the Oratorio society. It is to be hoped that Grand Rapids' folks will give it a more cordial and appreciative welcome than was extended to the Schubert club of this city when it visited Detroit.

TAMMANY'S opposition to Cleveland, in the language of Frank Dean, "is coeval with his existence as a political entity," and Tammany has been either coerced or cajoled into his support every time he has been a candidate. The bark of the tiger does not pretend its bite.

It will be borne in mind that the opponents of President Harrison declared at Minneapolis that he could not carry his own state, and yet he was nominated on the first ballot. The Hill men are saying the same thing about Cleveland, but he will be nominated in spite of it.

SUNDAY'S Chicago Tribune describes Edwin F. Uhl as Don M. Dickinson's first assistant; calls him the Ward McAllister of Michigan; says he is a silver-tongued orator and prophesies that he will nominate Judge Morse for vice president. Then it spoils it all by spelling his name Ewell. Such is fame.

NEARLY all the Michigan delegates have been interviewed by the reporters of the Chicago papers, but ex-Chairman Weston seems to have been overlooked. He is a radical Cleveland worshiper and his paper has been known to print editorials favorable to his nomination, on Sunday.

SECRETARY BLAINE is at the side of his dead son in a city filled with bitter political opponents, and yet there is not one in the throng but whose heart is touched with sorrow for the brilliant American now bowed down with grief.

DON DICKINSON says that Cleveland has so big a majority in the convention that the opposition will be permitted to have the temporary organization just to show the magnanimous spirit of the Clevelandites.

WHY WE HAVE 'EM

Cheap Books Have Flooded the Market

CORRUPTING LITERARY TASTE

They Are Low, and Cheap Sensationalism Will Sell Better Than Anything Else in the Market.

"This is great weather for the summer novel," said C. E. Moore, a Philadelphia book man at the Morton yesterday. "It has made its appearance in greater numbers than ever before. In fact, the market is flooded with cheap summer reading. The various publishing houses of the country have been turning out stories by the thousand. When the resort season opens there is an immense trade in cheap books. Everybody takes along a supply of paper-covered novels to read during the hot weather. Nobody cares anything in particular about the stories. They are read for the sole purpose of killing time, and people call this sort of thing 'taking a vacation.'"

"There is no demand for solid reading during the hot weather. The average man is completely worn out and whatever reading he does is of a very light and desultory nature. He doesn't care for any extended treatise or hypnism or esoteric Buddhism. He wishes something that he can read and forget the moment he has read it. I don't say this is a very high aim or desire; but that is what the public wants, and so that is what it must have. Of course the larger part of this cheap stuff is absolutely worthless. The book that has any real literary merit is a rarity these days. But the public likes this sort of stuff and so the books find a good sale."

"People howl and yell at publishers for printing this kind of literature, but did you ever think that the publishers wouldn't print these books if the public wasn't always ready and willing to buy them? That's the secret of the whole matter. Men don't print this class of books merely for the love of printing them; they do it because the market would be filled with a better class of books. The average publisher keeps very close watch of the public and knows just what it wants. Then he acts in accordance with his knowledge. If people wanted to read Herbert Spencer and Thomas Huxley you would find the market full of their essays and books; but when the public manifestly prefers Mrs. Holmes, Ouida, the Duchess, Mrs. Smithworth, Zola, and a thousand and one similar authors, it is no use to ask it to read classical English."

"The number of cheap books that are put in the market week after week is one if he knew the exact amount. Almost anyone that writes a story these days can get it printed. There is no story so worthless that some one won't print it, simply because there is no story so poor but that somebody will read it. If the character of modern literature isn't what it ought to be, it is because the character of the modern public's literary taste is frightfully low."

Gossip of the Lobby.
 Parry F. Powers of Cadillac, editor of the News and Express, and a member of the state board of education, dined at the New Livingstone yesterday. Mr. Powers was on his way to Ypsilanti to attend the commencement exercises of the state normal school and also attend the meeting of the board of education which will be held tomorrow.

G. E. Stickney, cashier of the First National bank of Grand Haven, was a guest at the New Livingstone yesterday. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Louise Stickney. She is on her way to Europe to spend the summer and her father escorted her as far as this city.

F. A. Washburn of Belding, manager for the Richardson Silk company, was among yesterday's arrivals at the New Livingstone.

W. W. Cummer of Cadillac, president of the Cummer Rubber company, dined at the Morton yesterday. Col. Frank Riskey of Sweet's left for Chicago yesterday to attend the democratic convention.

Mrs. O. E. Chamberlin of Petoskey and Mrs. Goodyear of Hastings dined at the Morton yesterday.

W. P. Hethington of Belding, proprietor of the Hotel Belding, is at the New Livingstone.

Frank A. Potter and E. A. Wood of Lansing were guests at the New Livingstone yesterday.

T. A. Graef of Ludington and M. Griswold of Greenville dined at Sweet's yesterday.

C. F. Taylor, Hart Row and S. H. Row of Lansing dined at the Morton yesterday.

C. H. Wagner, a prominent Big Rapids druggist, is at the New Livingstone.

J. K. Flood of Benton Harbor was among yesterday's arrivals at the Morton.

ALMOST READY TO START.
 The New Force Main is Almost Ready for Work.

The last casting for the new force main arrived yesterday and will be put in place within forty-eight hours. The new pump which has been ready for service since June 1 can then be started if necessary. There is only a temporary roof over the great mechanism now and as the workmen are busy on the brick roof the engineers do not feel like starting the machinery. The minute particles of falling brick and mortar might do irreparable injury to the delicate parts of the engine. The wet weather has greatly delayed the work on the permanent structure.

CHRISTIAN REFORMED SYNOD.
 Matters Relating to Infant Baptism Discussed.

The fourth day of the biennial session of the synod of the Holland Christian Reformed church was nearly all occupied with routine business. At the afternoon session the synod earnestly recommended that those students who are preparing for foreign missionary work be instructed in medicine as well as religious doctrine, that they may treat diseases of the heathen whom they are instructing in religious principles.

The church government in relation to the baptism of children was changed. Under the new revised ordinance parents, who are baptized but non-communicant members of the church, will be obliged to receive instructions in the rules of church government before their children will be received for baptism by the church.

The synod will be in session during the remainder of the week and the time will mostly be taken up by questions of church government and discipline.

May Druggists Sell Beer?
 "May druggists sell beer in bottles" is a question exciting local druggists now. They claim that they can sell it under the law, but there has recently been a kick on the practice and the pill powder will seek legal advice. The question was submitted to City Attorney Taylor yesterday, but he has not yet given out his opinion.

Discussed the Christian.
 There was an informal meeting of the delegates to the national synod of Christian Reform churches last evening in the Spring Street church. Short addresses were made in the Holland language by the Revs. Knipfer, Riemer, Vries, Hulst, Vos, Vlaandema and Prof. Boer. The subject was "The Christian School."

Civil Service Examinations.
 A competitive examination for positions in the postoffice in this city will be held in the United States court room on Tuesday, August 2 next, under the rules of the United States civil service commission. Applications may be obtained of the secretary at the postoffice and must be filed at least twenty days prior to the examination.

Fountain Street Church Repairs.
 New carpet, pew cushions and retouching of the organ will be among the improvements in the Fountain Street Baptist church this summer. About \$3,000 will be expended, \$1,500 of which has been raised by the Women's Working society of the church. The carpet will be of velvet and is being woven to order.

Captain Poisson's Steamer.
 Major Watson, was put on the dry dock yesterday at Reed's lake, and the damage caused by the unexpected attempt to launch it Saturday will be repaired. Another attempt to launch the little craft will be made some time next week.

Children's Home Meetings.
 The ladies of the Children's home now hold their business meetings on Monday afternoon and meet to sew on Wednesday afternoon. This was done owing to the large amount of work which is transacted at the home and which makes two weekly meetings necessary.

Streets Washed Out.
 Bad washouts are reported on Fulton street west of Calder street, at the corner of Calder and Island streets, on Grand street, just west of Calder street, and at the corner of Lyon and Bostwick streets.

Outing for Trinity Choir.
 The spiritual choir of Trinity church will be given an outing some time in July. They will be taken to Ottawa Beach, where they will spend a week at the expense of the church and society.

CITY PRESS COMMENT.
 If these political clubs would work just as hard in the field for votes as they do at national conventions, candidates they would be of some good to their parties.—Press.

According to the Grand Rapids Democrat, Cleveland is already nominated, elected and inaugurated, so all this fuss and fury in Chicago is a waste of wind perspiration.—Leader.

The May exports of breadstuffs, provisions, cotton and petroleum were \$47,850,290, against \$36,633,350 for the same month of 1891. How the tariff does "shut in exports!"—Eagle.

HE IS APPRECIATED.
 Of all the candidates thus far named for governor, upon the state ticket, none will find more general favor among the republicans in this part of the state than Fred A. Maynard of Grand Rapids, who is being urged for the office of attorney general. Not alone his pleasing personality, which has brought him friends all over the state, but his unquestioned fitness for the place and his staunch loyalty to and invaluable services in behalf of the republican party will be readily recognized and appreciated. Speaking of his candidacy the Detroit Tribune well says:

IN THE CITY HALL

The Corridors Filled With Curious Visitors

TO VIEW THE PRETTY EXHIBIT

Made by the Kindergarten Class—Custodian Brenner Has His Hands More Than Full.

The corridors of the city hall were thronged yesterday with school children and their parents, who were greatly interested in the exhibit of the work done by pupils of the primary departments of the public schools. Custodian Brenner was badly pelted by the crowds of children and kept close watch of them, fearing that they might carry off some of the tile in the floors or the radiators. The visitors made a lot of cheerful noise and work in some of the first floor offices was practically suspended at times. Miss Frank Barkman, teacher of penmanship, has so far recovered from her recent illness that she was able to explain the exhibit to visitors yesterday. "I wish more of the patrons of the school would take this opportunity of seeing and comparing the work of the children," she said. "Their suggestions would be very welcome, and we want them to come here very much." All the work attracts very favorable comment. The exhibit will close this evening. The kindergarten work is a revelation to many.

Captured The Trout.
 A jolly fishing party composed of George Kellond, Ralph Fisher, Louis Hahn and Theodor Milberger returned from Luther last night where they have been having about week trout and grayling.

Late City Items.
 Julius Caesar, Jr., who has been in the city attending the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Louis Deitz, left last night for his home in Benton Harbor.

Frank Donaldson returned from the north last evening.

Mrs. J. H. Vanderlyn left last night for Chicago.

David Uhl went to Chicago last night.

YESTERDAY'S BASE BALL.
 The Chicagoans Lose Another Game. League Results.

Chicago, June 20.—The Chicagoans dropped another game Cincinnati today. The Colts played without any vim and the confidence necessary to win was lacking.

Chicagoans 0 0 0 2 1 0 0 1—4 10
 Cincinnati 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 3—3 4
 Baltimore, June 20.—The Baltimore lost a game because of error on the part of Valtrein in the second inning and timely batting in the seventh.

Baltimore 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 0
 New York 1 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—7 10
 St. Louis, June 20.—St. Louis batted Meekin all over the field today, while the visitors were unable to touch Breitenstein's curves.

St. Louis 2 1 2 0 0 0 0 2—9 10
 Louisville 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—3 4
 Pittsburgh, June 20.—Philadelphia and Brooklyn indulged in a slugfest match this afternoon, in which the visitors had a shade the best of it.

Brooklyn 5 0 1 0 2 0 0 0—8 10
 Philadelphia 3 0 3 2 1 0 0 0—9 10
 Pittsburgh, June 20.—The Spiders made it three straight by defeating the Pittsburgh today. Both pitchers did good work, but luck and the umpire seemed to be with Cleveland and they got the winning run in the tenth inning.

Pittsburgh 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0—2 0 4
 Cleveland 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—3 7
 Boston, June 20.—Boston won the first game today by good playing although Emale gave them the best of the deal.

Boston 2 0 0 3 1 0 0 1—8 10
 Washington 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0—3 6
 Second game.
 Boston 0 1 0 0 0 4 0 0—5 10
 Washington 1 3 0 0 0 0 0 0—4 6 2

Edo Won The Race.
 Telegrams have been received announcing the result of the twenty-five mile bicycle race for the championship of England, held on the Heme Hill track near London, Sunday. The race was won by Ede, the "pocket Hercules," who defeated Osmond, the English crack; Zimmerman, America's only "Zimmy," and Ede, the twenty-five other riders. Ede, the winner, is one of the most noted cyclists in the world. He is a diminutive Englishman, weighing only 110 pounds, but he succeeded in setting a pace too fast for Osmond, the record breaker, and the long-legged, clumsy champion of this country. The time in which the race was won was not given.

B. C. Mansfield of Grand Haven was in the city yesterday buying bicycles. He says Grand Haven is undergoing a siege from bicyclists, and that the spread of the craze has been wonderful.

Broke The Bicycle Record.
 DETROIT, June 20.—In a twenty-five mile road race today W. C. Randes broke the American record for the distance. His time was 1:15, 59.45.

HOW TO TEND BABY

A Building for Children Will Be Erected

BY THE WOMEN MANAGERS

Of the World's Fair Where Babies May Be Left and Be Taken Care of Scientifically.

Mrs. M. J. Smiley, chairman of the Kent county committee for woman's work for the world's fair, is very busy these days with the duties attached to her office. The board of lady managers has recently decided to erect a building devoted to children and space has been assigned for the purpose immediately adjoining the woman's building. The building itself will cost about \$20,000 and from \$10,000 to \$15,000 more is needed to equip and maintain it. The children's home will contain all that will contribute to the comfort and happiness of young people, and also such an exhibit as will tend to disseminate the newest and most vital thought concerning the well-being of children both in the home and at school; their proper diet and clothing considered from the scientific and hygienic standpoint; their literature, games and amusements and all that may conduce to the natural and happy development of the physical, moral and mental nature of the men and women of the future. Mothers whose children cannot otherwise be cared for can leave them in the children's building where care will be provided.

It is also proposed that some of the decorations of the woman's building shall be made of copper from the upper peninsula. The material has been donated, but \$1,500 is needed to cover the cost of manufacture and other necessary expenses. An assessment has been levied upon each state to meet the expenses of the children's home and the decorations in copper. Kent county's share will be about \$125. Contributions for the purpose are expected, and may be sent to Mrs. Smiley, who will forward them to the proper persons.

MENDELSSOHN QUARTET.
 Next Friday evening at the Fountain Street Baptist church the patrons of the Oratorio society will have the opportunity of hearing the best male quartet in the west. Beside the quartet numbers and the two grand choruses by the society, there will be solos by Charles Stevens and Ed Crane. One of the best and most popular baritone that ever visited or sung in Grand Rapids is Mr. Crane. Seats are on sale at Morehead's music store, and are being reserved very rapidly, as the Mendelssohn's are a very popular quartet in this city.

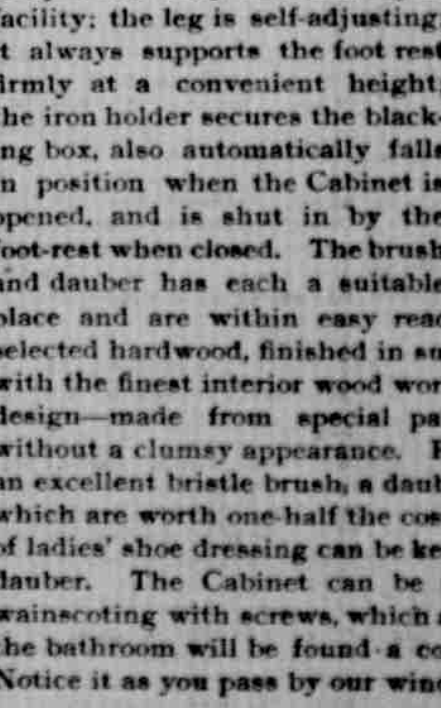
Bound for Chicago.
 The 11:30 train last night was well filled with democrats on their way to the convention and republicans who took advantage of the cut-rates to the "Windy City." Among those who went are H. J. Schmidt, John LaLone, W. D. Frost, George Thompson and Henry H. Dickinson.

E. B. Lapham, editor of the Belding Banner; E. J. Wright, editor of the Ionia Sentinel, and Fred Cutler, Jr., city clerk of Ionia, were in the city yesterday. They were on their way to Chicago.

Patrolman Smith Pleased.
 Patrolman Smith was much pleased last night when he saw that a new electric light had been placed in the alley at the rear of the Eagle hotel. Patrolmen have always considered that best an undesirable one.

The Utility Blacking Cabinet!

As will be seen from the two illustrations here presented, this cabinet fills the purposes for which it was designed, and when not in use can be closed up and stowed away in a little space. The points of advantage claimed for it are that it is ornamental, is not a dirt receiver, is strong and durable, occupies no floor space, affords ample room for the motion of the arm, holds blacking, brush and dauber in a convenient and clean place, and its arrangement permits one to shine his shoes with the least effort; it can be opened readily and with equal facility; the leg is self-adjusting; it always supports the foot rest firmly at a convenient height; the iron holder secures the blacking box, also automatically falls in position when the Cabinet is opened, and is shut in by the foot-rest when closed. The brush and dauber has each a suitable place and are within easy reach. The Cabinets are made of selected hardwood, finished in such a manner as to harmonize with the finest interior wood work. The metal is attractive in design—made from special patterns—of sufficient strength without a clumsy appearance. Each cabinet is furnished with an excellent bristle brush, a dauber and a large box of blacking, which are worth one-half the cost of the entire outfit. A bottle of ladies' shoe dressing can be kept in the Cabinet under the dauber. The Cabinet can be readily fastened to the wall or wainscoting with screws, which are furnished. In many houses the bathroom will be found a convenient place for a Cabinet. Notice it as you pass by our windows.



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